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Appl. No. 10/779,817 TC/A.U.

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For: DATA RETENTION LATCH PROVISION WITHIN INTERGRATED CIRCUITS

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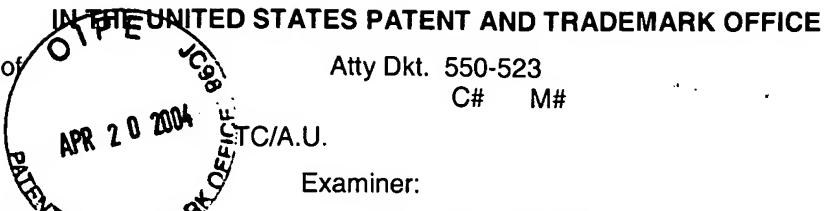
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In order to place the above-identified application in better condition for examination, please amend the application as follows:



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RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

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Fees are attached as calculated below:

Total effective claims after amendment	48	minus highest number			
previously paid for	48	(at least 20) =	0	x \$ 18.00	\$ 0.00
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Applicant claims "small entity" status. Statement filed herewith

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